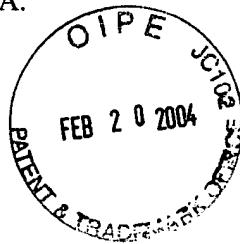


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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF PERIOD FOR RESPONSE  
UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), an extension of time of two (2) months (from December 16, 2003, to February 16, 2004) within which to respond to the Final Office Action dated September 16, 2003, is requested. A check in the amount of \$420.00 is enclosed herewith to cover the extension fee. The Commissioner is authorized to charge to Deposit Account No. 16-0631 any underpayments, overpayments or additionally required fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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